

Washington D. C.
July. 28th 1858

Dear Sir

I received a letter from a friend
of mine asking me to send him twenty five
of Judge Douglas speech on the Leecompton
Constitution, If you have them to spare
please send them,

Direct them, A. Prook, Esq,
Marionville

Schmiedtzy Co.
St. Louis

Yours &c

A Allen

J. B. Chandler, Esq.
Present

Send 50 German specks
to Mr. E. Buckingham,
Washburne, Marshall
Co, Ills

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Madison Wis, Jan. 28/58,

Esqr, Will Senator Douglass have
the kindness to send to undersigned
his speech on the Kansas question -

Yours,
J. P. Atwood

J P Alwood

Madison

Jan'y 28/58. Wri

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Halfway Lake Co Ill Jan 28
 Hon Stephen A. Douglass

Sir

The writer

of this has never had the pleasure of your acquaintance, and feels much diffidence in sending you this. Knowing full well that your mind is wholly engrossed by matter altogether foreign to the subject of this note -

Of late I have traveled considerably in the northern part of this State and find much interest felt on the subject of cultivating the Chinese sugar cane - almost every one is going to plant a patch - to make his own sugar or syrups - now this is a wrong step - as all will learn who try it - I have had much experience in Louisiana and Florida in erecting sugar mills - and boiling sugar - and am familiar with all the best works on the subject - The successful manufacture of sugar - can never be accomplished but by a considerable outlay for buildings - and

Proper Machinery - in conjunction with
an experienced Sugar boiler - of which
there are none in this region - There are
Rimes (to coin a word) in Sugar boiling not to
be found in any treatise on the subject
- - It is all nonsense to talk of rigging
up a couple of wooden rollers - to grind out
a few tubs of juice - and then to boil it
down to something - it woud be something
- but what - woud be difficult for any living
man to tell -

The process of Sugar
boiling should be conducted as rapidly
as possible - the cane should be rap-
idly - and thoroughly crushed - and the
juice evaporated as rapidly as possible
to the boiling point - by an experienced
hand who knows exactly how to treat it

The Manufacture of Sugar - can be
made very profitable to individuals
and beneficial to the State - if rightly
conducted - Let one or two in a County
go into it - and go into it pretty strong

Procure say an eight horse engine - and
a small mill of 3 rollers to match - with
3 small sized Sugar Kettles - erect
two small buildings - side by side - one
for the engine and grinding house - the
other for the boiling and curing house
- the whole might be got in operation - for
\$1500 or \$2000 - and with 30 acres of cane
maturity - woud clear itself the first
Season - I do not think it advisable
to plant this cane north of 40 - or 41 degree
of Latitude - I know what the cane
is - and know what it will do - I do
not hesitate to warrant 1500 lbs of sugar
and 75 gallons of Molasses to an acre
of fair cane - it will ultimately be
found to go a good way beyond that - with
a good crop - well matured - and
skillfully treated -

I was with
the Hon B. L. Gulise - at his plantation -
at Homosassa - 2 seasons to whom I can
refer you in regard to myself - though

from motives which you will readily
understand - He will doubtless not have
much faith in the Chinese cause -

Should my engagements permit -
I would like the ensuing season - to
expect a mile - and take off a crop
of sugar - Should any enterprising
individual feel disposed to embark
in such an undertaking -

Your position
being familiar - with all the leading
men - and leading measures of
the state - is the only excuse - or
apology - I have for sending this note

Respectfully

Yours Obedt Servt

Geo. W. Badger

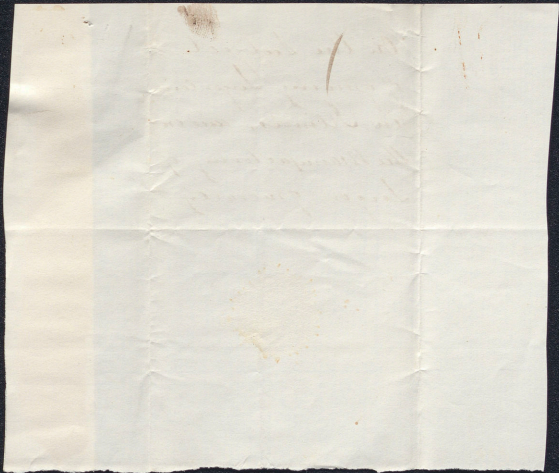
Geo. W. Badger

Jan 28 1852

Halifax, Sackville

On the Subject
of growing Sugarcane
in Illinois, and on
the Manufacturing of
Sugar generally

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Dr Jas. W. Bailey
Chicago
Jan. 20. 1857
Respectfully,
Wm. P. G. P. P.

Chicago 28th Jan. 1857

Wm. S. A. Douglass
Sir.

Will you
please send me the "Patent
Office Report on Agriculture"
for 1857. - And much
oblige

Yours Obedt. Servt.

Wm. S. A. Bailey
P.O. Box 3087 Chicago, Ill.



Albany Jan 25th 1859

Sir

If you will be so kind
as to send me a copy of the
Agricultural and Mechanical
Reports of Patent Office —

you will oblige me very much
Very respectfully,
Tarrant

Warren Zieher

W.B.

Address to Warren Zieher
Mechanicsville Saratoga Co
N.Y.

Warren Baker
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Albany Jan'y 28th

Wm S A Douglas
Dear Sir

Will you
do me the favor to trans-
mit to a Democrat such
speeches as you think will
be of benefit to me Direc-
ted to your most respect-
fully

Clark & Carr

Galesburg & Ills

Charles E. Con
Valley
222
Road of

City of Washington
Jan 28th 1858

Hon S^r A^r Douglas

This will be presented to you
by Richard B Lloyd Esq of this city

He desires to form your
acquaintance which he says is the
principle object of asking of me this
letter

He however desires some employment
in the office of Mr^r Meigs and if you
can render him any aid in procuring
such employment, you will confer a
favor to him

With great respect I am
your obt^d serv^t
Wm^m C. Brown

M M Connell
Pres^{nt}

Jan'y 28, 1858,

Introducing

Rich^d B Lloyd

Buffalo Jan 28th 1858
 Hon Stephen W Douglas
 Dear Sir

you may think
 Strange of a Total Stranger addressing
 you but I am not a stranger to your
 Political Career I have had my eye
 on you since your Chicago Speech
 don't think that I intend to flatter
 when I say that I wholly indorse
 your past & present measures in reg
 ard to Kansas" prep for war I
 like the Ring of your Collier the
 the Eagles wing will gain the
 allentains right" Truth is divine
 and will prevail your worst enemy
 may gain your grand position
 while there knees strike together
 and there hearts fail them for
 fear" than prep for war the
 the mark is yours" bearing

mind that you have Truth
Justice & mercy on your side
and that an honest man is the
noblest word of God

yours with the highest respect

Wm. C. Davison

Buffalo
Jan'y 28th/58
Wm. C. Davison

Ship you are
right - prep
forward. &c

LETTERS From Rushsylvania, Ohio, January 28 1858 3094-1

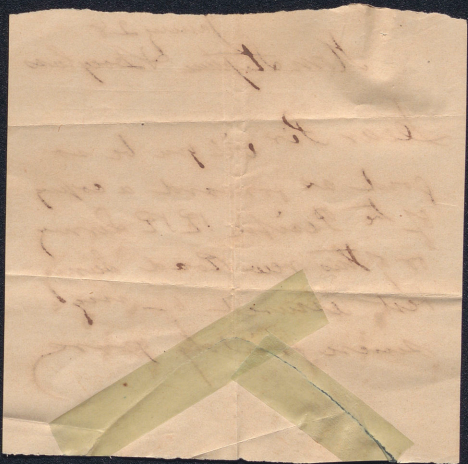
To

Wm Stephens & Co. Glasgow

PAID HERE.

Rates.		Unpaid.		By Stamps.		In Money.		Free.	
No.	Dolls.	Cents.	No.	Dolls.	Cents.	No.	Dolls.	Cents.	No.

Dear Sir will you be so
 good as forward a copy
 of the Pacific R.R. Survey
 or of this new Road Survey
 best assured of my
 sincere friendship yours
 E. A. Doran, P. M.



J. A. Doran

P. M.

Rushsylvania

O. July 28/58.

Wend. Lee R
R Survey.

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Fort Leavenworth, Kansas Territory
Jan. 28th 1858.

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose a letter to you from my friend Sam. Leatham, at the time it was written I expected to go to Washington but find it impossible to do, if you will be kind enough to interest yourself for me I think the 7th obligation might be influenced as I am from Amelia County in that State, of the Members from 7th I am only acquainted with Judge Lusk and with him but slightly, I have been so constantly on the extreme frontier with my Regt., for the last twenty years that I have had no opportunity of making friends who could be of service to me at the present time. I have been in the Army, E. Dragoon, upwards of twenty years, I served in Mexico from 1838. to 1842. and through the whole of the Mexican war, since that time, I have served in California, New Mexico and in the Indian Country. I will be most thankful for any assistance you may give me in getting promotion in the event of an increase of the Army. Nothing less than a Lt. Colonelcy would be of any advantage to me. as I am now

just for promotion, having been nearly fifteen
years a Captain. In the last increase of the
Army I had the mortification of having eight
Captains advanced over me, all the Majors of
the four new Regiments. The promotion that I apply
for would correct this injustice.

Very respectfully
Yours Obedt. Servant
S. P. Mahan
Capt. Maj. 1st Dragoons.

Hon. S. A. Douglas.
Washington City.

Fort Leavenworth
K. J.
Jan'y 28/58
L. P. Graham



Chas F Hard-
Vedder
Calhoun Co
Jan'y 28/58, Ill
Smithsonian

Report, - or any other
Public Doc. You
may have for
distribution.

Calhoun Co Ill Jan'y 28th
To the Hon S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir having been in-
formed that you have certain
works for distribution among
them the Smithsonian Reports
(which is said to be very interesting &
instructive) you would much oblige
me by sending me one copy if
it or if you should not have it
you will confer a favour by sending
one such as you would select
hoping you will excuse the liberty
I have taken I remain

Your humble servant
Chas F Hard

N.B. Your Speech on the President
McPherson has come to hand and is
liberally sent to the Democratic
in this section. And our friends the
Abolitionists appear to view the same

words spoken by you now quite
different to what she did when
the same Principles were advocated
by you in the N. H. Bell
the Glory in you

If it would not consume too much
time you will please send me the
Address ^{of} the Irish Union or a
paper

I remain Very

Respectfully Yours
Chas F. Howard

P.S.

These Address Chas F. Howard
Vedder P.O. Calhoun Co. N.H.

Geo. W. Harris,
Post Master.
Mt Carroll, Mo.
Jan'y 28, 1858.

A package of
Speeches misdirected
in his Office.

As they want
them there - and
the Judge is right -
if not better to
distribute them
there.

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P. Office Mt Carroll Mo
Jan'y 28/58

Hon S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir a
package of your speeches has
arrived at this office, directed to
Precinct Carroll County Illinois.
As there is no such P. Office in this
County, & as you have not supplied
each of the patrons of this office
with a speech & as I verily believe
it does meet the approbation of
I may say every voter in this district
had I better distribute them to
such as have not received them please
inform me by return Mail and
believe me to be your sincere
friend

Geo. W. Harris P. M.

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Frederic C Ingles
Freeport

Jan'y 23/58 Ill

Desires a copy of
Pacific R.R. rep.



Freeport Illinois
Jan 28. 1858

Hon S. A Douglas
Sir:

Being engaged
in the profession of Engineering
I am very desirous to obtain
a copy of the Pacific R.R.
Explorations; If you can
favor me with a copy of the
same it will place me under
great obligations, and I am

Very respectfully
Yours obt servt

Frederic C. Ingles
Civil Engineer

Freeport
Ill



My dear Sir,
I have the pleasure of informing
you that I have received
a copy of the book of
"Description of the
River and the Country
around it" which you
sent me by the
last steamer.

I have also received
a copy of the
"Description of the
River and the Country
around it" which you
sent me by the
last steamer.

[Jan 28, 1858]

Stephen A. Douglas M.D.

Dear Sir and the undersigned
 Democrats of the old School and lining
 as we do in a State where Democracy ~~has~~
 has so long been in a Minority do offer of
 good to put us on your list of friends and
 occasionally send to us the necessary
 matter that will enable us to manfully
 fight the good faith — we have every
 thing that is Devilish and sensual to
 contend with in this State that has been
 so long lost and thank God honored that
 we have some of the first spirits of the
 good kind some that we can frequently
 take by the Hand — we would not ask
 if your these favors had we in your body
 to the Congress any one from our State
 that is a Democrat we will prove he your
 humble servant for this troubling you —

We as ever Remain your friend

 Sudbury VT {
 Jan 28 / 1858 {

 W. W. Merritt
 J. Goodrich



H. H. Merrill
T. J. Goodrich

Sudbury

Jan'y 28/58, VT-

Spencer

Wilmington Bureau Co. N.C.
Jan 28, 1855

Thos. A. Toulge

Dear Sir will

you have the kindness to send me the
Patent Office Report for the year 1856
on agriculture ^{if you have any for distribution}
I have them up to 1855—
Having lately moved in to this State I have
not formed much acquaintance here therefore
I shall not be likely to get anything sent
from Congress for general distribution
and will be the more to be remembered by you
in distribution of Public documents and your
speeches in particular —

Allow me to express
my thanks to you for the noble stand
you have taken in defence of Popular
Sovereignty your course is fully endorsed
by the Democracy in this country although
there has been no Public Meeting called
for that purpose as yet —

Respect yours

W. L. G. Parker

C. St. Pierre
Princeton

Ill.
Jan'y 28, 1888.
P.O. Report.

J. V. V. PLATTO,

ATTORNEY & COUNSELLOR AT LAW,

CORNER OF WEST WATER AND SPRING STREETS,

[Bischoff's Block.]

MILWAUKEE.



Milwaukee January 28. 1858

Wm Stephen A. Douglass
 United States Senate
 Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir

The paternal hand that has heretofore placed your speeches in my mail Drawer at the Post Office, has guided the thunder that rolls along the sky in storm, is not more universally heard, than is the echo of your speeches. You have inspired the enthusiastic admiration of your friends. Confounded, dismayed, ~~the~~ silenced your enemies. You are not high-raised upon the name of popular favor, and no power under heaven can disturb you, from but true to the principles by which you have stood through our strife and storm, and of which you are become the cradle, and there is no honor in the gift of the people beyond your reach, I would rather occupy your position to day than wear the Crown the Bourbon King, ~~we are~~ we are oppressed you, all unite in according you honor, respect, and there a zealous official, who ~~directs~~ directs the administration with praise praise, I repeat, I have long looked to find your speeches in my Drawer, and not having received them, now ask you to do me the particular favor to transmit them. I am about to bind a large number of speeches, including all yours since '50, not including those declined the present season, please send them, and I will acknowledge myself.

your Obedt Servant

J. V. V. Place


Milwaukee
Wis -
Jan'y 28/68
J. V. B. Platts.

Comments on
course, &
want of speech

West Cambridge, Jan 28/58
(near Boston)

Hon L. A. Douglas

Sir:- If your speeches, upon subjects relating to Kansas, are in a printed form convenient for mailing, may I trouble you to send me a copy - with any other documents and information which may aid me in the preparation of a work, upon which I have made some progress, - the tendency of which is, to develop the influences which the Democratic Principle exerts in promoting civilization among nations. The independent position which you have taken in the defence of sound and legitimate Democracy meets with cordial and refreshing approbation among the thinking and intelligent portion of our people and has done much toward dissipating the fog of fanaticism which has so long enveloped the U. S. States. The people here are sound, at heart, upon National issues, and would hail, with gladness, the opportunity of joining the column that is led by an honest and Independent man.

I am, with great respect, Yours &c

P. L. Potter.

West Cambridge
Map - Jan'y 24/88

J. S. Poller. -

Maule's speeches
+ doc to use in
the preparation
of a work. —

Richard D. Hunt

My dear friend -

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My dear friend -

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My dear friend -

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Greenville, Bond, Illinois

Jan 28th 1858

Hon S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir:

The following Petition is being circulated here by W^m S. Wait (once a democrat) - purporting to have been introduced by Senator Johnson of Tennessee,

The following is a copy, and I should be glad if you would advise me if it is really a democratic measure or a Black-Republican move.

"Freedom of the Public Lands"

"We the undersigned, Citizens of the U.S. respectfully request your honorable body to pass a law to prevent all further traffic in and monopoly of the Public Lands of the U.S. and that they be laid out in farms and lots of limited size for the free and exclusive use of settlers not possessed of other lands."

You will confer a favor by an early reply to the above. Respectfully Yours,

A. B. Reid.

P.S. We received from Hon S. M. McMull a sack of Pat. soc. last mail. Any such you may have will be thankfully received by the democrats of Bond.

A. B. R.

Greenville, Ill.
Jan'y 20th.
J. B. Reid

Wants to know if
the homestead bill
is a Dem., or Rep.
Ref. measure. —
— wants doc —

Pioneer Grove Cedar Co Iowa Jan. 24 / 58
Friend Douglass

Sir - Just after the passage of the Nebraska & Kansas bill by Congress - you was assailed - the talk was every where, that the Democratic party was divided & ruined, my own State Iowa, passed judgement against you & your Kansas measure, in the immediate neighborhood - I live in myself & 1 other man was all that was bold enough to advocate the principle of Self Government, - time passed on & men of sense & thought discussed the matter, one after another would say that (Douglass) was right in principle, but thought the 16-35 line was good enough "C", finally the thing became popular & you recd. great credit for your advocacy of Self Government, Mr Buchanan, was elected on what I will call your thunder, I am an old man nearly as old as Mr B. I am an old friend of his. I was a lover in his life time of the Heroes of Orleans - the man who vetoed the monster the 16-35 Bank, I am & ever have been a true Democrat, an independent thinker - Can read some & think for myself - I must say I can not endorse the version that Mr. B. puts on

The Kansas or Lecompton Constitution - I & thousands
of others think that his instructions, to that noble
hearted man, R. J. Walker, as Gov. of Kansas, carries
in its face that the good folks of K., was to
be protected in voting, against as well as for
any constitution, that should or may be formed.
Sir, I glory in your defence of the people's rights.
I do not wish, and of course, nothing I can say of your
public acts can not be flattering you, but you are
& have been the defender of a great principle,
Andrew Jackson, - was denounced for a time it
looks as though he would be forsaken, but
he was battling for a great principle.
The second thought, set him right, he has
passed from the stage of action - the principle
he advocated is fresh in the minds of
millions of the American people.

Sir the doctrines as advocated by you
will be fresh in the hearts of thousands
& 10 of thousands long after you & I cease to
breathe, - that man is capable of governing himself
as true as the eternal god is just.

Sir can you pardon me for
troubling you, with these few lines & poorly
connected thoughts - I am old & some
what infirm - I have nothing but the

good of my country at stake - soon
I shall be a citizen of Kansas - my son
is there, - I helped to make the Constitution
of Iowa, I think I shall lose now of
whatever quality or virtue I had in Iowa.
By going to (K.) I will be the same
man then that I was in Iowa -

General Jones, has a noddy
of me, if he can bring me to mind, if
General Dodge, was in the Senate he would
vouch for me -

Should you find a few moments
leisure, be kind enough to write a few
line to one who would be proud to vote
for Stephen A. Douglass for president of
these 31 States.

Should you have a few Pub.
documents to spare I am very fond of
reading such -

with high esteem
I am your friend
S. A. Douglass Esq.,

(Senate wh.)

Goodwin Taylor

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Should you have your Kansas
Speech of 1854 - & your late one
This appears in pamphlet form please
send them both to me - I have read
both in the papers - but I lend
my papers to any person who will
read them - I wish to leave them
I the care of you - among my
previous papers - So that my children
after my death may see the impor-
- tance that I place in a great
& correct principle

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Renew Grove
Cedar Co. Iowa.
Jan 28/58
Goodwin Taylor

appears in
conver - wals
you'd drop him
a line to Walter
wants 10 sheets
of 1854 & 1857.

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Bryan Ohio Jan^y 28th 1858
Hon. S. A. Douglas; Dear Sir,

Will you please to send me one of Hon. S. A. Douglas's Speeches, Del^d in the Senate and the Kansas Question. The Representative from this district, Mr. Mott is a Republican, consequently a member of the Democratic party, cannot expect anything of the kind.

Address

Wm. Viers,

Bryan.

Williams County,
Ohio.

And much Oblige Yours

most truly,

Wm. Viers.

J. M. Viers
Baran
Williams Co
Jan 28/58 Ohio
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Brighton Jan 28th 58
 Hon Stephen A. Douglass

Sir

Will you please send
 me a few copies of your late
 speeches on "Kansas Questions"
 and greatly oblige

Respectfully

R. H. Williams
 Brighton N.Y.

To Hon S. A. Douglass
 Washington City

R. G. Williams
Binghamton
N.Y.
July 28/58,
Wants speech

L B Wyant
Borus
Boone Co
Jan^y 25/58, Ill
Much respect-P.O

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Boring Jan 28th 1858

Dear Sir
Please accept my thanks
for the public drawing
you have been pleased
to send me. and
if it would not be
asking too much I would
be happy to receive from
you the Mechanical
part of the Patent Office
Report

Respectfully Yours
Hon S. A. Douglass
L. B. Wyant
Borus
Boone Co
Ill.

